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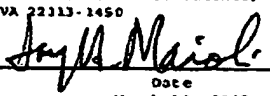
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Applicants: Michimune Kohno et al.
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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of December 15, 2004,
Applicant respectfully requests that the above-identified
application be amended as follows.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of
claims that begins on page 2 of this Amendment.

The Remarks portion begins on page 6 of this Amendment.